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To Persons Reviewing Public Commentary for the SF Bay Delta Plan:

It has been brought to my attention that your board is considering various plans for fresh water in the San Francisco Bay Delta.

I expect decisions around this matter to be difficult, given the pressures from commercial interests such as Southern California agricultural and real estate entities. But I urge you to consider the big picture here.

The gains economically from diverting more water away from the Delta will have, according to scientists who have studied the Delta, be relatively short-lived while that important ecosystem may never recover from the damage.

Chinook salmon, delta smelt, other forms of both aquatic and riparian wildlife depend on fresh water from the Delta, as well as millions of people for drinking water. Ecological damage is often irreversible and though we may feel a few species going extinct will have no impact on the quality of human life, studies have shown that this is not so. We are all linked and water is the life force that pulses through all of our lives.

I ask you to be mindful of these impacts and urge you to maintain and even, if possible, increase the amount of fresh water that enters the Delta and flows into San Francisco Bay.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terrence Higgins, MFT". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "T".

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From: Tyler, Courtney@Waterboards <Courtney.Tyler@waterboards.ca.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2018 1:39 PM
To: LSJR-SD-Comments; WQCP1Comments
Subject: Bay Delta SED- Timely submission received by OPP on July 27, 2018
Attachments: CCF07302018_0002.pdf

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Good Afternoon,

Attached is an electronic copy of a timely submission received by OPP staff. The wet signature original is being sent by interoffice mail.

Thank you,
Courtney

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